

October 10, 1978

Memo to File:

Re: Mountain Maid, Inc.  
Last Chance Mine  
Millard County, Utah  
ACT/027/004

This lime mine was inspected by Mike Minder and Jim Smith of the Division and Mr. Don H. Smith, President of Mountain Maid, Inc. on September 13<sub>2</sub>, 1978.

Although the lime deposit covers a fairly extensive area only a small portion of the # 1 claim, approximately 2 acres, will be mined during the next 10 years. Approximately 50 loads per year (20-25 tons per load) is the expected amount of material to be mined. The deposit consists of a knoll 10 to 15 feet in height and several hundred yards long and deep. The vegetation in the area is sparse and is represented by sagebrush, fourwing saltbush, ephedra, and halogeton. Access is by a short loop road from the existing county road to Swasey Wash. The area has been previously mined with a small amount of junk lying around. It was Mountain Maid's contention that the only reclamation would be to replace the overburden on top of the disturbed area. They were informed that they would also be required to at least attempt revegetation of the disturbed area and that they would not be granted any variances at this time. They were also asked to submit soil samples to Utah State University for analysis. A formal letter will be sent to Mountain Maid detailing what is needed to satisfy the Division's requirements before tentative approval can be granted.

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